

MAY ABOLISH ROAD SUPERVISOR

A PROPOSED LAW TO REGULATE BILLBOARDS

BILLBOARD LAW TO COME BEFORE THE NEXT LEGISLATURE

The matter of passing an anti-billboard ordinance or law has been taken up locally with a view to having either the supervisors or the legislature pass a law to regulate the placing of huge advertising signs all over the city. The city of Washington, D. C., has recently taken the matter up with vigor, and adopted ordinances based upon those of other American cities.

In Cincinnati, Ohio, a law was passed which provided that billboards could only be erected after a permit has been secured from the municipal authorities, and this has been made the basis of a law in many other places. The following are sections of a law which it is proposed to bring before the legislature here:

"Signs and billboards or any device in the nature of an advertisement, announcement or direction when constructed of wood, shall not be erected over two feet in height.

"All signs and billboards constructed in the fire limit more than two feet in height, on any buildings or separately, shall be constructed entirely of metal, including the upright supports and braces of the same.

"No signs or billboards erected upon uprights or any other supports extending into the ground shall be at any point more than twelve feet above the surface of the ground and the billboard.

"There shall be an open space of six feet between each billboard and any adjoining structure of lot line.

"There shall be an open space of not less than two feet between any two billboards.

"No billboard shall exceed 500 square feet in area.

"No billboard shall be nearer to the lot line on any street than the house line adjoining the same.

"In no case shall any billboard be less than fifteen feet from such street line adjoining the same.

"All signs which are dangerous in any manner whatever shall be repaired and made safe or taken down by the owner.

"No matter shall be posted on any such structure that is licentious or

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SOLID FIVE BECOMES SOLID SIX EFFICIENT SUPERVISOR MAJORITY TRIPS MAYOR'S POLITICAL GAME

The new board of supervisors last night showed its quick businesslike working majority, and besides neatly blocking a political game of Mayor Fern's, it acted with decision and harmony. Low joined his Republican colleagues and helped to make an efficient majority. There was no Aylett oratory, but there was very businesslike dispatch of matters brought up. Fern took the extraordinary position of declining to put a motion to postpone confirmation of some of his nominees until Friday, and as at the start of the last board, it was necessary for a member to put the motion.

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MAY ABOLISH THE ROAD SUPERVISORSHIP

When the supervisors meet again there is likely to be a confirmation of the mayor's appointment of Road Supervisor Wilson, but two or three others on the mayor's list of appointments will fall to get a vote of confirmation. The Mayor sprang some new names for road overseers of country districts, and after looking them up, several of the supervisors, at least, are known to feel that they don't want the new choices.

The supervisors have been doing some investigating today, and they concluded that the mayor last night snatched them a gold brick on which the veneer was exceedingly thin. Conspicuous on his list of appointees were various Republicans already in office, such as Engineer Gere, City and County Physician Mackall, Fire Chief Thurston and others who couldn't be removed without the removals causing public indignation meetings. But out in Ewa and Waianae and other Republican strongholds, the mayor still in the names of Democrats who

JAPANESE TEACHER A SUBSTITUTE, WELL QUALIFIED TO TEACH

Attorney J. Lightfoot caused a good deal of discussion in Honolulu today by publication of the following advertisement:

"To Whom It May Concern:

"All persons who have children in the seventh grade of the Central Grammar School are requested to join me in a protest to the department of public instruction against the employment of a Japanese to teach our children.

"J. LIGHTFOOT."

Lightfoot expresses great indignation at the employing of the Japanese teacher and says he intends to start an agitation.

A number of people well acquainted with the teacher in question have

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Country Stores' Food Supplies Are Improved

Food Commissioner Blanchard has just completed an inspection of the country stores, and he is very pleased with the cleanliness and excellent conditions generally that he found. It was a great improvement on his last visit, and there was only one prosecution as a result of his visit. That was of a Japanese who was charged with having sold bad fish. The only real complaint that could be found was with one of the plantation stores. This could not be called disgraceful, but it was unsatisfactory. The chief cause of complaint was the crowded condition of the stores. Everything was

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TWO BIG STEAMERS LEFT FOR FRISCO THIS MORNING

With two boats scheduled to sail at ten o'clock this morning, both bound for the coast, the Hawaiian band had a busy morning, first playing through a delightful selection of airs on the Oceanic wharf, where the Sierra was lying, and then on the Maifon wharf to send-off the Wilhelmina. On both wharves a large crowd of spectators had gathered some time prior to the hour of sailing, and the passengers on

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EARTHQUAKE CAUSES DISASTER AND LOSS OF LIFE

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

TASHKENT, Russian Turkestan, January 4.—A severe earthquake, causing much loss of life and property, has taken place in Russian Turkestan. Many buildings in this city were destroyed by the quake and the list of fatalities is large.

It is reported that the city of Vyerny has been entirely demolished, and the reports indicate that a large portion of her population of 25,000 have perished.

M'CROSSON TALKS NOW OF QUITTING

Governor Frear this morning received a telegram from J. T. McCrosson saying that the proposed amendments would make his bill impracticable. He, therefore, thought that it would be better to withdraw it, as it would not be a good financial speculation.

The Governor preferred not to give

the full text of the message, and added that he supposed that McCrosson wanted his advice on the matter. Up to that hour (noon) he had not replied to the message, which, he said, he had only received a few minutes previously. He supposed that he would reply to it, but he was not sure.

BIG FINES FOR BIG COMPANIES

PHILADELPHIA, January 4.—The Philadelphia and Reading Railway company, the Lehigh Valley Railroads and the Bethlehem Steel works have been fined \$40,000 each for violation of the Sherman act provisions against rebating.

LONDON POLICE CRITICIZED

(Special Cable to The Star.)

LONDON, January 4.—It is stated today that only two bodies were found in the ruins of the building which was burned yesterday during a battle between the police and its occupants, anarchists who were resisting arrest. It is not believed that there were any more than two victims.

The authorities are being severely criticized for their spectacular display of force in their efforts to arrest the anarchists. There is much condemnation of their action in making an open attack, which led to the sensational defense and loss of life.

ECONOMY HIS TEXT.

NEW YORK, January 4.—Governor Dix sent his first message to the legislature today. He strongly urges a policy of economy in public affairs.

FATAL COLLISION. SPOKANE, January 4.—Five persons were killed and many injured by a collision on the Burlington and Iowa railroad.

FORBES APPOINTED. SACRAMENTO, January 4.—E. A. Forbes has been appointed adjutant general.

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DANCE TONIGHT AT YOUNG HOTEL

The management of the Alexander Young Hotel is giving a dance this evening in honor of the first class passengers of the transport Sheridan.

Guests of other hotels Army, Navy and townfolk are invited to be present.

A FOLLOWER OF INFLUENZA.
An attack of influenza is often followed by a persistent cough, which to many proves a great annoyance. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been extensively used and with good success for the relief and cure of this cough. Many cases have been cured after other well known remedies have failed. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

FORM A LEAGUE.
MINNEAPOLIS, January 4.—A league of Progressive Republicans has been formed here.

AGREE TO ARBITRATE.
LIMA, Peru, January 4.—An agreement has been made to submit the boundary dispute to the Hague conference.